
• STATEMENTS OF UNDERSTANDING

Statement of Understanding - medical equipment: Commodities that are ‘specially designed for medical end-use’ that ‘incorporate’ commodities or software on the Commerce Control List (Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the EAR) that do not have a reason for control of Nuclear Nonproliferation (NP), Missile Technology (MT), or Chemical & Biological Weapons (CB) are designated by the number EAR99 (i.e., are not elsewhere specified on the Commerce Control List).

NOTES applicable to State of Understanding related to Medical Equipment:

- 1) ‘Specially designed for medical end-use’ means designed for medical treatment or the practice of medicine (does not include medical research).
- 2) ‘Incorporate’ into medical equipment means to integrate with, or work indistinguishably into such equipment.

3) Except for such software that is made publicly available consistent with §734.3(b)(3) of the EAR, commodities and software ‘specially designed for medical end-use’ remain subject to the EAR.

4) See also §770.2(b) interpretation 2, for other types of equipment that incorporate items on the Commerce Control List that are subject to the EAR.

5) For computers used with medical equipment, see also ECCN 4A003 note 2 regarding the “principal element” rule.

6) For commodities and software specially designed for medical end-use that incorporate an encryption or other “information security” item subject to the EAR, see also Note 1 to Category 5, Part II of the Commerce Control List.